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HONGKONG, JANUARY 29TH, 1912.

RECENTLY some reports were circulated round the world from Tokyo as to the financial instability of Japan. Apparently they were founded upon a warning alleged to have been given by the now Minister of Finance at a Cabinet Council, that unless Japan amended her financial policy she was in danger of bankruptcy. Whether Mr. YAMAMOTO, the Minister in question, really made such a statement or not, there is no means of knowing, but the probability is that he did, if only as a means of overcoming the opposition among certain of the Cabinet Ministers to what he regarded as indispensable retrenchments. Mr. YAMAMOTO is a business man, probably the first real business man in Japan who has been called to the Cabinet, and it is a remarkable fact that the professional politicians who have hitherto been responsible for Japan's administration should have found it necessary to call in to their aid one who is, as far as politics are concerned, a complete outsider. Since the above report was circulated the Budget, or what in England would be called the Estimates, for next fiscal year have been published and have served to re-establish confidence, inasmuch as they show that Mr. YAMAMOTO's recommendations have been mostly accepted. The Estimates have yet to pass the Diet, but it is not anticipated that they will meet with much opposition, unless it be from those who hold that the retrenchments have not been carried far enough. Briefly, the estimates provide for a total expenditure of 572,814,996 yen, or exactly the amount of the revenue for the year, plus the surplus from last year. There

will thus be no surplus to carry over to the following fiscal year. This practice was followed in the two preceding Estimates, however, although in each case a surplus resulted, due to the revenue proving larger than anticipated. What is deserving of note is that the total expenditure, in spite of the retrenchments made, is still in excess of the Estimates for last year by some five million yen. The major part of this is included under the item Naval Armament extension, so that the Finance Minister's complete victory over the Minister of the Navy as to the Naval Budget appears somewhat doubtful. Altogether the total increases over the previous Budget amount to about twelve million yen. Five of this, as already noted, is actual increase. The remainder—seven million yen—represents the amount saved by retrenchments in other directions. The Finance Department account has been docked of over a million, the Department of Communications of another million and the War Office of over five millions. This last retrenchment is noticeable. As might be expected, this result has only been arrived at by ruthlessly cutting out all unnecessary expenditure, including the proposed Grand Exhibition to celebrate the Emperor's Jubilee. Among the new productive works that remain may be mentioned improved accommodation in Kobe Harbour, on which a further million yen, in addition to that voted in previous years, is to be expended; and an increase of 2,500,000 yen in the annual instalment for the extension of the telephone service. Further, the Budget shows that Japan has not yet succeeded in overcoming her necessity to borrow. While 50 million yen worth of national bonds are to be redeemed during the year, it is proposed to issue Railway bonds for forty million yen. The nationalised railways of Japan are now placed on a separate account, the profits being used to improve the service and not to increase the Government revenue. So far there have been no profits, however, the large sums voted as annual instalments for new construction and improvement being quadruple the amount of the revenue. Thus it is estimated the revenue from the railways will be some ten million yen during the next fiscal year, while the expenditure will be over fifty million yen, the balance to be met by the issue of the railway bonds alone mentioned. The proposal to widen the gauge of the railways has been dropped. Altogether the Budget Estimates show a desire on the part of Japan to live within her means, and the suspicion that she has not been living within her means during the last few years is more or less confirmed. That there is any danger of Japan becoming bankrupt, however, must be at once denied. All the returns go to show that the trade of the country is at a normal level, and if it does not show quite the same resiliency as in past years this arises rather from the pressure of high taxation than from any inherent degeneration. The fact of the matter seems to be that Japan was too eager in her efforts to pay off the debt incurred by the war with Russia. She wished to cast upon a single generation a burden which should properly have been spread over two or three. Having once started on this heroic course, however, it is now too late to recede. Any reduction of the Sinking Fund would at once cause a slump in Japanese bonds and further injure her credit. It is a matter of grave concern that her statesmen were not better advised at the time, but all Japan can do now is to satisfy herself that the next generation will have an easier time than their fathers.

The next Criminal Sessions will be held on Monday, the 12th February.

Regulations in connection with the importing for sale or use of opium in the Colony are published in the Gazette.

The subscription dance which the Ladies' Recreation Club had proposed to give on January 30th will not take place.

It is notified in the Gazette that the name of Moss Brothers and Co., Ltd. has been struck off the register of companies.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. T. H. King to be a member of the Board of Examiners.

The name of Mr. Lewis Guy, of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., has been added to the register of chemists and druggists.

Chlorate of potassium and any other chlorate, and acetone, have been declared to be dangerous goods by a notification in the Gazette.

Three men who were charged with stealing a tin box containing \$10.70 from a house in Arsenal Street, Wanchai, were brought before the magistrate on Saturday and remanded until Monday.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. P. J. Wodchowski, Mr. T. H. King and the Assistant Registrar-General, members of the Board of Examiners, to be a sub-committee for the examination of Indian and Chinese police in English and Cantonese.

The re-election of Dr. G. H. L. Fitzwilliams and the election of Mr. F. B. L. Bowley as members of the Sanitary Board, are notified in the Gazette.

Mr. Irving imposed a fine of \$50 or a month's imprisonment on a Revolutionary soldier who appeared before him on Saturday charged with being in possession of a sword.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., to be an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, for a further period six years.

The Bulletin issued yesterday morning by Dr. Jordan stated:—“His Excellency Lady Lugard continues to progress satisfactorily in all particulars. It will therefore be unnecessary to issue any more bulletins for a few days.”

At the Magistracy on Saturday, Mr. Irving had before him a man charged with being in the unlawful possession of ammunition. He was fined \$100 or six weeks' imprisonment.

We have received from Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son a copy of their useful list of sailings from China and Japan for April-June and also a copy of a handbook of great use to visitors entitled, “Information for Travellers landing at Hongkong.” This little book not only gives information about Hongkong, Canton and Macao, but also about the coast ports, French Indo-China and the Philippines.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

There will be an official dinner at Government House to-night to which the following have been invited:—

Hon. Mr. Clementi, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, Hon. Mr. Wei Yui, Hon. Mr. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. Badley, Mr. Irving, Hon. Mr. Rees Davies, Mr. Dealy, Mr. Woodcock, Mr. Wood, Mr. Messer, Dr. Keyt, Bishop Bannister, Mr. Slade, Brother Christian, Mr. Shelton Hooper, Dr. Bellios, Mr. Denny, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Ede, Mr. Harris, Capt. Johnstone, Revd. Wells, Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. Ng Hon. Tsz, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Mr. Wong Kam Fuk, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Sin Tak Fan, Mr. Un Lai Chuen, Mr. Leung Pui Chi, Mr. Lau Yum Chuen, Mr. Tong Lai Tsun, Mr. Ho Ngok Lau, Mr. Li Yau Tsun, Mr. Yung Hin Fong, Mr. Chau Siu Ki, Mr. U. Hoi Chau, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Chiu Chau Sam, Mr. Hui Chiu Lam, Mr. Siu Yuen Fai, Mr. Mok Man Cheung, Mr. Chan Lok Chun, Mr. Au Chak Man, Mr. Yung Shiu Po, Mr. Wei Wa Lin, Mr. Mok Tso Chuen, Mr. U. Chi Wan, Mr. Chan Kai Ming, Mr. Lau C. Fong, Mr. Chan Fuk.

THE MEDICAL CONGRESS.

The Far Eastern Association of Tropical Medicine brought its congress in Hongkong to a close on Saturday. The session was devoted to business matters. It was decided that the next Congress be held at Saigon in 1914, and Dr. L. R. Montel was appointed Secretary. Votes of thanks were passed to those who had helped to make the Hongkong Congress a success, special mention being made of the work of Dr. F. Clarke.

Considerable discussion took place on the subject of beri-beri, and finally the following resolution was agreed to by the Congress:—“That the accuracy of the opinion of this Association, recorded in 1910, has received further and more complete confirmation by investigators in Japan, China, French Indo-China, the Philippine Islands, Siam, Netherlands-India, the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States, namely, that ‘Beri-beri is associated with the continuous consumption of white (polished) rice as the staple article of diet.’ It is therefore again desired to bring this opinion to the notice of the various Governments concerned and to recommend international action.”

In the afternoon the medical visitors made a special launch trip to the south of the island in the Governor's steam yacht Stanley. To-day they will proceed to Canton on the invitation of the South China Branch of the China Medical Missionary Society and will be shown the medical work in progress there.

CAMPHOR BECOMING SCARCER.

Most of the world's supply of camphor comes from Japan and Formosa. Of late years the demand, says the *Philadelphia Record*, has begun to exceed the supply, and the question has arisen how the latter can be maintained. One of the reasons why camphor is becoming scarcer and dearer is said to be that it is extensively used in the manufacture of celluloid. At present camphor is produced mainly from the so-called camphor tree, which attains a gigantic size in Japan, one specimen recently measured being one hundred and fifteen feet tall and having a trunk over fourteen and one-half feet in diameter.

The tree is common in China, but as yet the production of camphor in that country is very limited. It is said that camphor can be produced from other species of trees. In Borneo a very aromatic camphor is obtained from the natural deposits of gum on the trunk of a species of tree indigenous to that island and Sumatra. Borneo camphor is rare and very costly.

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TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE REVOLUTION.

SHARP FIGHTING.

Reuter's correspondent at Shanghai states that sharp fighting is proceeding at Huchouf, the headquarters of General Chang Hsun.

BOMB THROWING.

Telegrams from Peking state that General Chang Hui Chi, the commandant of the Imperial troops at Tientsin, and a stern opponent of the revolutionaries, on returning from Peking, left the train and entered a brougham, when a young Chinaman threw two bombs at him without hurting him. His assailant fled, firing on his pursuers and wounding a policeman. He was eventually captured.

Reuter's correspondent at Peking telegraphs that a Chinaman wearing the uniform of a military officer threw a bomb at Liang Pi, the former Manchou commandant of the Imperial Guards. The latter's legs were fractured and his condition is most critical. His assailant was killed by the explosion. Liang Pi was a strong reactionary, and his assailant is believed to have been a revolutionary.

FRANCE AND ITALY.

London, January 27th.
Reuter's Paris correspondent states that the *Manouba* incident has been settled to the satisfaction of both France and Italy.

LATER.

By the settlement the Turks captured on the *Manouba* will be returned to France, where the French Government will establish their identity. The questions as the principles of law involved by the seizures will be submitted to The Hague Tribunal.

LATER.

ANOTHER FRENCH STEAMER SEIZED.
Telegrams from Tunis state that the French steamer *Travignano* was seized by Italian torpedo boats off the coast of Tunis and taken to Tripoli.

LATER.

The *Travignano* has been released after being searched.

LATER.

Paris telegrams state that the French Consul at Cagliari and the French Charge d'Affaires at Rome have been recalled to Paris to explain why they handed over Turks to the Italians.

THE CRISIS IN ULSTER.

London, January 27th.
Lord Londonderry has replied to Mr. Churchill that the main objection of the Ulster Unionist Council will be removed if the meeting is held outside those districts which passionately resent Mr. Churchill's action. The Council would strongly deprecate any attempt to interfere with the meeting, but in view of the intense feeling which has been aroused it cannot accept any responsibility with reference to the visit.

LATER.

Three regiments of infantry and two of cavalry at Dublin have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Belfast if the magistrates require them. The Liberals of Belfast are vainly seeking a hall. Probably the meeting will take place in St. Mary's Hall, owned by Catholics.

BRITISH ROYAL VISITORS IN WASHINGTON.

London, January 27th.
Reuter's Washington correspondent wires that H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught visited the National Press Club, where he delivered the first speech of his visit. He said he hoped the Pressmen would use their power for the good of the world, and trusted that Britain and the United States would always remain the best of friends. The Duke was given an uproarious ovation.

LATER.

Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught left New York to-day on their return to Ottawa. They received a hearty send-off.
The Duke expressed the pleasure he had experienced during the visit, and said he looked forward to its repetition.

COMMEMORATING A HERO.

London, January 27th.
On the occasion of the 27th anniversary of the death of General Gordon the Bishop of London consecrated Khartoum Cathedral in the presence of a large and representative congregation, including Moslems, Copts and Greeks. Lieut.-General Sir Reginald Wingate, Governor of the Sudan, was also present, together with many officers and clergy. The service was most impressive.

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COMMONWEALTH LONDON OFFICES.

London, January 27th.

The Commonwealth has concluded the purchase of a Strand site for their London offices, the price being £379,756, equal to 12½ per foot.

THEIR MAJESTIES HOMEWARD BOUND.

London, January 27th.

A wire from Malta states that, despite threatening weather, immense crowds assembled to give a hearty farewell to the *Medina*, warships being manned and a Royal salute being fired. When the *Medina* reached the French warships, the crews manned the side and cheered vociferously. The vessel gained the open sea amid the ringing of the church bells and the cheers of the multitudes.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

London, January 27th.

Sir Clementi Smith, during an interview, said the question of opium had been finally dealt with by the Conference, and that no further conference would be necessary. He said the aim of Britain had been to bring morphine and cocaine, which were being distributed throughout the world, from three factories, one in Great Britain and two in Germany, under the strictest control. The British proposals in that connection were generally accepted, though they had been slightly modified. After the Christmas adjournment, owing to some change in the attitude of Germany, the final terms of the protocol would be published by the various Governments. Raw and prepared opium would be practically taken out of the hands of private dealers. There was no reason to doubt the good faith of China.

BRITISH POLITICS.

THE INFANT ARMY.

London, January 27th.

The Albert Hall was packed with a most enthusiastic audience on the occasion of Mr. Bonar Law's first speech in London as leader of the Conservatives. He said there were signs that the country had had enough of the government. The lane had been long but the turning was visible.

Mr. Bonar Law's speech is regarded as the strongest and most fighting Conservative speech for years. He affirmed that the idea that the members of the Government were competent was a delusion, as it was only in electioneering and in the small trickery of politics that they were competent. They bestowed, during the last six years, marks of esteem, varying from a peerage to a job, on eighteen Welsh members. He said the Government was playing *faust* to Mr. Redmond's *Mephistopheles*. He dealt with Lord Haldane's failure, emphasising the fact that the weapons of the army were utterly inferior to those of other nations, which was a handicap no courage could overcome. He refused to join in the senseless attack on Sir Edward Grey, because the speeches of the members of the cabinet caused foreigners to believe that Britain would never assert her rights by force. France had gained all the advantages in the Morocco incident, and Britain all the ill-will. Mr. Lloyd George's speech had perhaps saved war, but had created an amount of ill-will with Germany that would take years and perhaps generations to live down.

LATER.

Lord Haldane, speaking at Gateshead replied to Mr. Bonar Law's criticisms. He said that our horitzer was the best in the world, our field gun was only second to that of the French, while the Territorial field gun was nearly as good as that of the German regulars. The Cavalry provided more horses, and a new infantry rifle was being tested.

FRUITS OF THE INDIAN VISIT.

London, January 27th.

A Calcutta wire states that the Viceroy of India, speaking at a dinner, said he believed that the Indians were loyal to the core. The Royal visit had infused into them a new spirit of confidence which would bear fruit a thousandfold and had already dispersed the clouds of suspicion and unrest.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

London, January 27th.

In warm weather, before a good attendance, and on an excellent wicket the Marylebone team continued their match against Tasmania. The English team lost four wickets for 574, and declared. Rhodes scored 102, Hearne 97, and Woolley 305 not out. He hit two sixes and forty-three fours. Tasmania lost three wickets for 113.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

London, January 27th.

Reuter's St. Petersburg correspondent states that the Emperor and Empress received the British visitors at Tsarskooselo and afterwards entertained them to luncheon in the palace.

NEW GERMAN DECORATIONS.

London, January 28th.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin wires that the Kaiser has created two new decorations, Royal Prussian gold and silver crosses for merit, on the occasion of his birthday.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

London, January 28th.

It is reported that the Government is contemplating a change of plans as regards women's suffrage. This is the result of Radical representations regarding the urgency of abolishing plural voting, without incurring other controversies.

THAMES IRON WORKS.

London, January 28th.

The Thames Ironworks yesterday resolved to accept reduced wages if the Admiralty placed orders for cruisers on the Thames.

THE COAL DISPUTE.

London, January 27th.

The Conciliation Board yesterday afternoon arranged terms on a broad basis of a settlement of the coal dispute, for which an agreement will be reached provided the detailed working scheme is mutually approved.

SUPREME COURT.

Saturday, 27th January.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PUBIC JUDGE.)

CLAIM FOR WAGES.

A. Louis sued R. Howard for \$148.50, made up of \$8.50 for five days' wages as manager of the Colonial Hotel, \$50 one month's wages in lieu of notice and \$90 board and residence for one month. Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for plaintiff and Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, was for defendant.

Mr. Gardiner stated that the Colonial Hotel was purchased on December 1st by the defendant, and plaintiff had been manager for five years under the old proprietor. When Mr. Howard took over the premises, he asked Mr. Louis to continue to act as manager and the salary agreed upon was \$50 per month with board and lodgings. As it was not anticipated that there would be much business during the first month, the salary was fixed at this low sum, but plaintiff was told he would get more later on.

His Lordship—Was the agreement in writing?

Mr. Gardiner—No. He added that five days later defendant told plaintiff that his services were no longer required.

Plaintiff gave evidence in support of his solicitor's statement, and added that when defendant bought the hotel there were no fittings, stock or glassware on the premises, and he (plaintiff) was to see about buying these things. During the five days he consequently busied himself about this matter. At no time had he miscondacted himself.

In cross-examination plaintiff stated that he did know of the sale of the hotel before defendant entered into possession. He denied that defendant did not speak to him about retaining his services. His hours under the old regime were from 7 a.m. to midnight, and although defendant did not lay down any specific hours, plaintiff continued to keep these same hours. He admitted being in the Land We Live In Hotel on the 4th December, but said he was only there for about a quarter of an hour. He went there to see about a particular kind of glass which Mr. Howard wanted.

The licence of the hotel stated that on the 4th December plaintiff was absent from 8.30 p.m. He was generally attentive to his duties.

Mr. D'Almada—Plaintiff says he was away only a quarter of an hour.

Mr. Gardiner—No; he says he was at the Land We Live In Hotel for a quarter of an hour.

Mr. D'Almada said the position was that Mr. Meyer asked defendant to retain plaintiff's services and defendant said he would give him a chance. If he did well he would keep him. There was absolutely no arrangement between plaintiff and defendant, and it was distinctly understood that if plaintiff did not attend to his duties he could be dismissed without notice.

Defendant stated that he had been several times at the hotel and found plaintiff absent. His sole reason for dismissing plaintiff was neglect of duty.

Judgment was entered for plaintiff for \$133.50.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

The growls about the weather of late are not without reason, as it has been more disagreeable than we expect at this period of the year. I am told that seven years ago we had a similar spell of cold wet, misty weather, and that it lasted ten weeks. We all hope history will not repeat itself in that aspect, though, now that the wind has changed, better conditions ought to be assured.

In many respects it seems unfortunate that the proceedings of the Medical Congress, which has been sitting in Hongkong all last week, should have received no publicity in the local press. This, I understand, was at the desire of the Congress. Of course it will be readily admitted that the majority of papers read and subjects discussed would be of a technical nature, but there are some which might have afforded valuable public enlightenment. The ladies, indeed all of us, but the ladies especially, would have been interested in learning something of the conclusions reached by Major Chamberlain, M.D., of Manila, in his treatment of the question as to the relative resistance of blondes and brunettes to the harmful influences of a tropical climate. Now if expert medical opinion on this point were known, it might assist the unmarried men in the Far East in the choice of a wife. Presumably they would be influenced in favour of those who were most likely to wear well in the trying climatic conditions of this part of the world.

Again, much useful information on the care of children in the tropics and infant feeding in the tropics, two subjects discussed on Friday, might have been disseminated through the columns of the press had these papers been reported or a summary of their conclusions given. It is a pity that so much of public interest associated with the Congress should remain practically a sealed book.

Hongkong is beginning to see a little more of the Far Eastern Squadron than it has done since the advent of the cooler weather. The reason for the absence of so many British ships is well known, but all the same we like to see the ships here.

I heard a good story the other day regarding a British bluejacket. He and his companion had just emerged from the gates of the Naval Dockyard in Queen's Road when a beachcomber accosted him and asked for some tobacco. "Sorry," was the reply, "blowed if I ain't given my last quid to the captain."

The "distressful country" is not belying its reputation at present, and it must be confessed that the outlook in Belfast is such as to cause grave apprehensions in the minds of all friends of Ireland. It is easy to apportion blame, both to Mr. Winston Churchill and to the Orangemen of Ulster, but it is just possible that the soft answer that turneth away wrath may cool the heated passions of the rival partisans and that the visit of the First Lord of the Admiralty to Belfast may become less of an adventure than it seems at present.

Thursday was the anniversary of the birthday of Robert Burns—and the occasion was allowed to pass unnoticed by the Scotsmen of Hongkong. I doubt if in any other part of the Empire where there are two or three Scots gathered together, the day would have been forgotten, as was apparently the case in Hongkong. Surely St. Andrew's Society had enough patriotism and support to promote a Burns Concert?

A correspondent "up country" sends me a poem (save the mark!) which a Chinese friend passed on to him. As it is an effort to put into English certain Chinese aspirations I give it publicity:

So far in Canton
I don't know why
So many people cry
To Hongkong they bring their children
gone.

Now my Dear
You need not fear.
Take no notice of what you hear
For your family is quite safe here.

To be Republicans
We must fall in line with Americans
To be masters of the Manchu again
We must do the best of what we can.
Note how "what we can" rhymes with "American."

There has been a tendency to describe the Revolution in China as one of the shortest in history, but the two latest revolutions were both shorter. Turkey established its new régime and disposed of the old Sultan in less than a month, while the revolution in Portugal was effected by a coup carried out in about a week's time, the monarchy being abolished and the republic set up in marvellously quick time, and with comparatively little bloodshed, too. Of course, revolutions in the Central American and South American republics are brought about with startling suddenness, but their frequency robs them of historical importance. The revolution in China is proceeding with a certain amount of deliberation peculiar to the Chinese character, and that very deliberation gives the greatest hopes for the permanence of its results.

RODERICK RANDOM.

ENTERTAINMENT IN THE THEATRE ROYAL.

The performance given on Saturday night in the Theatre Royal in honour of the delegates to the Medical Congress by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club of the variety entertainment and harlequinade which the community has learned to enjoy as one of the best productions by amateurs in the Colony attracted an exceedingly large house, including most of the medical visitors and their friends. The programme was in the main features similar to that given some little time ago, but it was of such outstanding merit that most people would be glad of the opportunity of patronising it more than once. On this occasion the quartette by Mrs. Schofield, Miss Gordon, Dr. Schofield, and Mr. D. J. Donne "Strange Adventure" and "Sweet and Low", met with such an insistent encore that the party had to return and give again the second song. "Miss Zellerbach", whose identity will probably be guessed from the name, was heartily applauded for her graceful dance, and Capt. Addison could not satisfy the audience with his rendering of "Sybil" and had to return to the platform and give "Fritz's friend", while Mrs. A. B. Moulder won popular favour by her spirited singing of "Carmen" in costume. She also had to respond to a demand for a recall. A very dainty song and chorus, "The tooth brush and the sponge," in which seven ladies participated, had to be repeated for the satisfaction of the house, and the "burlesque du ballet" by the two artists rejoicing in the stage names of Karsaria and Ninsky was exceedingly clever and most amusing. The duet by Dr. and Mrs. Schofield was a beautiful rendering, and an encore had to be given to this also. It should be added that the gymnastic performance by men of the K.O.Y.L.I. was particularly skilful. The second part of the programme was devoted to the harlequinade, which was made more mirthful than before by reason of the topical allusions introduced. For instance, when the policeman was squashed between the folding doors the two perpetrators decided to carry "Captain Bodeley" to the Medical Congress, and then when they discussed his probable death there was reference to "bury" and "ber-ber-ber." The transformation scene followed, and was as well done as before.

CANNIBALISM IN NEW GUINEA.

REVOLTING STORY TOLD IN COURT BY A MURDERER.

A missionary in New Guinea, writing to the *Java Post*, gives the following declaration of a cannibal from the Baimuru village on trial for having murdered a woman of Baroi. His statement in court was as follows: "Bail told us that we were to kill three persons in Baroi; he gave us a boat to make the journey thither, and on arrival there we were to catch three persons. We were fortunate in being able to secure Aimari, with his two wives, Lora and Apuru, in Era Bay. Kairi killed Aimari, I killed Lora and Jonu killed Apuru. I killed Lora with a dagger made of cassowari bone. We took the bodies into our boat and rowed back to Baimuru. It is not true that I bit off Lora's nose, because it is not our custom to bite off the nose of a person we have killed. Ana bit Lora's nose off, Kwal, Aimari's nose, and Omeana, Apuru's nose. The noses must be bitten off, not cut off.

"Before we set out to kill anybody we consult the spirit of the Kopirari (the latter are carved images about four feet in height which are kept behind a screen in the public house, Marea, of the young people). The spirit manifests itself and comes to the boat, and if our expedition is to be successful he gives the boat a shake.

"We arrived at Baimuru that evening, but we left the bodies in the prahu till the following day. We then took them to the Marea and there laid them down on the verandah where they were cut up into small pieces. The women mixed them with taro, cooked them, rolled them up in nipa palm leaves and then distributed them. Women and children may also eat human flesh. I ate a hand of Apuru. I did not eat of Lora, because I had killed her. Our custom prevents a man eating a person he has killed.

"When you have killed a man you sit on a coconut with your feet on two other coconuts, and then you tell your daughter to cook the man's heart. Then you may drink the water in which the heart was cooked, and even eat a small piece of the heart itself; but you must be sitting on the coconuts all the time, otherwise you are not allowed to eat anything at all of a person you have yourself killed.

"We killed the persons from Baroi because we had made a big new boat, and when we have made a new boat we have to kill a cassowari, a pig and a human being in the order mentioned. The blood of the slain was poured into the water at the places where they were killed."

LOGIC OF PLUM PUDDING.

Commenting upon the growth of the art of substitution, the *Lancet* suggests that the question on "what is plum pudding?" might be added to the already long list. "The obvious answer," says the *Lancet*, "would appear to be pudding made in part, at any rate, of plums; yet what is generally called a plum pudding—the Christmas pudding—never contains plums, if we accept the definition of a plum that is the edible drupeous fruit of any one of various trees of the genus *Prunus*. As everyone knows, the fruit used in Christmas puddings are generally raisins and currants, both of which are dried grapes. There are several puddings in the cookery books containing raisins which are called by various fancy names, but never plum pudding; but when the currants and raisins appear in the Christmas pudding the product is called a plum pudding. With no logic it is agreed to accept the word plum as applicable to raisins or currants when they happen to be in Christmas pudding."

HOUSING SCHEMES IN HONGKONG.

A "PORTUGUESE RESERVATION" AND A "GARDEN CITY."

"The steady growth of the Colony's population and the limited area, for residential purposes, on the northern slope of the Island has rendered the question of the suitable housing of the middle classes in Hongkong one of the serious problems of the time. The recent large influx of Chinese into the Colony has accentuated the urgency of the problem, the solution of which demands prompt and earnest consideration. There is no reason to suppose that the recent augmentation of the population is of a temporary nature, while there is evidence to support the assumption that the better class Chinese with their families from the neighbouring territory have 'come to stay,' and with characteristic unanimity they have set about purchasing properties in the district comprised within Cause Road on the North and Conduit Road on the South. This demand has caused appreciation of all the properties in this area."

The foregoing paragraph is quoted from a Memorandum prepared by Mr. C. Montague Ede, outlining a scheme for the creation of a Portuguese Reservation at Wong-nei-chong, and it may be at once stated that precisely the same set of circumstances also gave birth—or rather increased vitality—to another and more ambitious scheme aiming at the creation of a "Garden City," on a site conveniently near to Kowloon. The author of the latter scheme is Mr. F. P. Soares, a Portuguese resident whose family has lived in Hongkong almost ever since Hongkong became a British Colony. It will doubtless be of much public interest to set forth the leading features of both schemes. It may be mentioned that the "Garden City" scheme was under consideration at a much earlier date than the scheme formulated by Mr. Ede, who, however, was unacquainted with the project. The two schemes, however, are not necessarily antagonistic, though in certain respects they run upon practically the same lines. One is a scheme for Portuguese only of the class pertaining to the clerical section of that community employed in the Government service, banks of the colony insurance offices and mercantile establishments; the other, though initiated by a Portuguese resident, is for all Europeans of the middle class.

THE PORTUGUESE RESERVATION.

The site selected for Mr. Ede's "Garden City" is a large plateau above the Sookanpoo and Wong-nei-chong valleys. Ample ground is available for expansion in the future, as may become necessary. We understand that the land is about 400 ft. above sea level. The approach is proposed to be by means of a low-level tramway to the head of the Wong-nei-chong valley, thence up the hill by the same cars fitted with rack adjustment. The drainage of the Settlement, it is stated, does not present any very difficult problems. As to the water supply, it is suggested that the Wong Nei Cheong reservoir should be set aside for the purpose.

An area of not less than 150 acres is wanted in the first instance for the scheme, and of this area some 20 acres would require to be leased by the Government as building land, for a term of 75 years, renewable for a like period. It is hoped to get this land at 1 cent per foot and at a Crown rent fixed at \$100 per acre.

It is an integral part of the scheme that any application for lease within the Reservation should be submitted to and passed by a Committee appointed by those who will finance the scheme, and that any applicant who may be refused shall have no claim to require reasons for such refusal.

With a view of preventing any speculation in the land and houses acquired under the scheme it is a condition precedent that Crown lessees of any portion thereof must enter into a bond whereby they engage themselves not to part with their holdings or any portion thereof except to a member of the Portuguese community, and the price at which he may undertake to sell must not exceed that which he paid for the property added to any other sum he may have spent upon the ground for addition or improvements. Similarly, no house can be leased to persons other than of Portuguese extraction. In the event of the death of a Crown lessee, the property passes to his heirs, executors or administrators, but so that it must be retained in the Portuguese community. In the event, however, of financial assistance being required the Trustees will endeavor to arrange to have a fund to be drawn on for the purpose of loans on mortgage. Statutory provision must be enacted in order to secure the property to the Portuguese in the event of the bankruptcy or insolvency of any lessee whose creditors may happen to be persons other than of the Portuguese race.

The proposal to give a distinctive appellation to the district is a suggestion deemed to be wise, for it is believed that the sense of civic pride which will be engendered in the minds of tenants in the district will lead them to regard jealously the good reputation of the Reservation for its reprobate public conduct or ill-considered matters the district be brought into disrepute.

Reducing the acreage into square feet, there will be at the disposal of the promoters of the project an available surface area at the start of 871,200 square feet, from which it is proposed to set apart 30,000 square feet, in round numbers, for a school-house and playground attached. The available area for buildings and approaches is thus reduced to 841,200 square feet. The scheme contemplates as a first step the erection

of a number of houses of different types suited to the different incomes of those comprising the community. There will be bungalows, detached houses, semi-detached, and houses in terraces, thereby those with small means will be provided for as well as those in better circumstances. Pursuing further the system of classification, participants will be grouped under four different categories, viz.—(a) Contributors of from \$30 to \$40 a month; (b) Contributors of from \$40 to \$50 a month; (c) Contributors of from \$50 to \$60 a month; (d) Contributors of \$60 and upwards.

That the scheme may be a real and lasting benefit to those who care to profit by it, it aims at encouraging thrift among the active participants thereto. With this end in view it is proposed that lessees shall become their own landlords by a system of provident purchase. The plan suggested is that the purchase money be merged in the monthly rent, and a table showing the monthly payments over a period of 25 years has been carefully worked out.

The Memorandum deals at some length with the provision contemplated for the education of the children in the Settlements, and also for religious worship. For the benefit of the children also the Government is to be asked for a free grant of a site of 50,000 square feet to be laid out as a garden "more or less after the style of the Peak Garden," and to provide in the Colonial Estimates an annual vote of \$240 towards its upkeep.

It is pointed out, that with 150 houses on the site the benefit accruing to the Government in Crown rent and taxes would amount to \$7,666 per annum. It is estimated that the scheme will cost on the whole, in round figures, for a Settlement containing 150 houses—60 bungalows, 50 houses of the small, 30 intermediate and 10 of the large type—\$735,000. To provide the capital it is proposed to raise it upon a mortgage of the whole property, the issue to take the form of mortgage debentures of the value of \$1,000 each, bearing interest at 8 per cent per annum, payable half-yearly. If the subscribers take advantage of the provident purchase scheme a certain number of Debentures will be paid off each year in the month of January following the year of the completion of the work and the occupation of the houses, and thereafter in the same month of each year.

The leading Banks, Mercantile Firms, Insurance Offices in the Colony will be asked to subscribe to the Debenture Issue, inasmuch as the scheme is designed to house, under better hygienic conditions and more economically, their own employees, and it is therefore assumed that they will be actively interested in it.

During the preparation of site, levelling of ground, laying out of approaches and roadways interest will accrue on the purchase money for the site, Crown rent and payments to contractors. To partly meet the interest on the first outlay it is proposed that—

(1) An initial payment of \$40, \$50, and \$60, respectively, be made by each of the subscribers in respect to his application for any one of three land allotments according to size.
(2) A monthly contribution of \$5, \$7.50, and \$10, respectively, be made until completion of the houses.
(3) The proportion of Crown rent to be paid by each subscriber as it becomes due each half year.

THE GARDEN CITY PROJECT.

The Garden City scheme which Mr. Soares is preparing contemplates a reservation of 24,000,000 square feet, though, it is not, of course, expected to develop the whole area immediately. About twenty million square feet of this is at present Crown land, and of the remainder about two and a half million square feet (57 acres) are already owned by people prepared to support the Garden City scheme. A double purpose is in view. The immediate object is to provide house accommodation for Europeans at rentals within their means; and secondly to develop the horticultural possibilities of the district.

It is proposed to reserve the entire site—which lies just beyond the Yaumati railway station—as a residential district for European and, further, to reserve to the Co-operative Society, which is to be formed for developing the Garden City scheme, the right to purchase within a specified period of years all available portions of Crown land within the boundaries of the site, the price of every 10,000 ft. to be assessed on the basis of 7,000 ft. being reserved for farm and garden lots and 3,000 ft. for buildings. The "Garden City" idea is strongly emphasised in this scheme, for as far as garden produce is concerned the object is to make the community of the settlement entirely independent in this respect of the neighbouring market, and to set an example for development throughout the New Territory. All the fruit and vegetable supplies which the city would need could be grown within the Reservation, and experiments already made have proved that, with a little European supervision, fruits and vegetables of a quality superior to the ordinary market produce can be economically and successfully cultivated within the proposed reservation. One of the functions of the Co-operative Society will be to dispose of the surplus in the outside markets, the proceeds going to the common fund. Mr. Soares, in his original draft of the scheme says:—

"Those who may regard this scheme as a Utopian dream should recall the history of California, where gold-mining has not proved such a great producer of wealth and comfort as farming and fruit growing, and cattle and poultry-rearing. What has been achieved in the State of California in this direction can be achieved on a smaller scale in the New Territories under

efficient direction. In the creation of a Garden City the aim will be to work along these lines. That the promoter of the scheme has devoted much attention to this aspect of it, is afforded by a lengthy list he has compiled of fruit trees, flowers, vegetables, etc., which, he states, may be usefully and successfully cultivated in the district, for commercial purposes. The appointment of an expert horticulturist is contemplated to advise tenants and to generally promote these developments in the reservation area.

Similar arrangements for education and religious worship are contemplated in this scheme as in the other. In fact an offer of 30,000 square feet was made for educational purposes some time ago. The scheme already commands a large measure of practical support, and in the event of the Government undertaking to assist the scheme in the manner desired, there is every prospect of a considerable amount of capital being forthcoming for the development of the district.

The financial details of the scheme have been receiving careful consideration. They are not yet quite ready for publication, but we may say it is in contemplation to provide suitable house accommodation at rentals ranging from \$50 down to \$20 per month.

P. AND O. OFFICER DROWNED.

UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT IN THE SUEZ CANAL.

The P. and O. steamer Nile from London has an unfortunate boat accident to relate in which Quartermaster J. W. Heath lost his life in the Suez Canal.

According to the log, at about 4.30 p.m. on December 29 four able seamen got into the ship's jolly-boat to make the ship fast in the siding. While the ship still had a slight way on, before unhooking the slings, the boat gave a sudden sheer from the stern, the ship's side. The crane wire ran out to its full length and brought the boat alongside the ship's side. The pressure of the water caused the forward hook of the boat to straighten out, and the stern post to carry away resulting in the boat being completely turned over. Three of the seamen jumped clear as the boat turned over, but Heath, who was in the stern clinging to the sling, was flung against the ship's side and most probably stunned as he was never seen to rise. The other three seamen righted the boat and were picked up by a dredger. A long search was made for the missing man, but no trace of him could be found. The ship was stopped at the time of the accident and everything possible done, four life-buoys being thrown over for the men and another boat lowered, but, on the Canal dredger being seen to attend to the men, the boat was then used for mooring the ship.

TO GIVE GERMANY HALF AUSTRALIA.

REMARKABLE SUGGESTION BY A LONDON PROFESSOR.

The amazing suggestion that Great Britain should make a present to Germany of half the Australian Continent is contained in a letter by Professor Caldecott, of King's College, which the *Spectator* publishes.

"Would not a White Australia," he writes, "be more sensible if the British people had the eastern half and the German people the Western half of that continent? Our old settlements must be left intact; but the quarter of a million people in what we call 'Western Australia' equitably entitled to keep a great European nation from taking its place under the Southern Cross?"

"Is the population only equal to that of Berkshire to claim permanent and sole occupancy of a million square miles? We should still have the choicest part, from Queensland to South Australia, including Tasmania, with New Zealand in addition. As it stands, the unoccupied part of Australia is a very serious cause of instability."

After pointing out several other points of the world where German expansion could take place, the professor concludes, "that German expansion is bound to take place, and that it is a legitimate aspiration of the German people that it should be set out on larger lines without delay."

MAKING A STRUGGLE CERTAIN. Commenting on the proposal in an editorial article, the *Spectator* says:— "It is difficult to find words strong enough with which to repel this amazing suggestion. It is a policy which must inevitably destroy the British Empire. Australia would fight to a man to prevent a foreign Power from being admitted to the island continent."

For the Mother Country in a wanton ecstasy of philanthropic sentimentality to introduce a military race like the Germans would be to make a bloody struggle for supremacy in Australia a certainty. We all hope that we may be able to get on better terms with Germany; but we shall never accomplish it by rushing to give her our own or other people's property.

A SOLICITOR WHO BECAME KING.

There has recently died in Denmark, in a poor asylum, a lady who bore the title of Princess, and who in her time had occupied a good place in society. According to the *York Gazette*, she was a daughter of Orelle Antoine I., King of Araucania. The King was of French origin, his name being Antoine de Tonnens, and before he was called upon to exercise kingly functions he practised as a provincial avoué-solicitor. In 1861 he gave up his practice and went to South America, and led the Indians to fight for their independence, which resulted in the ex-lawyer being proclaimed King of Araucania and Patagonia. The King gave his country a Constitution, and entered into treaties of commerce with other States. Chileans never recognised the sovereignty of Orelle Antoine, and in a fight with that Republic the King was taken prisoner. After some months' captivity he succeeded in escaping and got back to France. There his misfortunes seemed to follow him, and later in 1878 he died at Dordogne, his birthplace. His daughter at the time of her father's death, then she went to Denmark, to be captured by the Chileans and succeeded in taking the country, and she succeeded in taking with her a good part of the patrimonial fortune. She reached Europe, and was much admired on account of her beauty. One of her lovers, a Dane, committed suicide in despair. Then she went to Denmark, to be near her lover's grave. She appears to have lived on her capital, and some years before she died it was exhausted. It was then that she sought refuge in the asylum.

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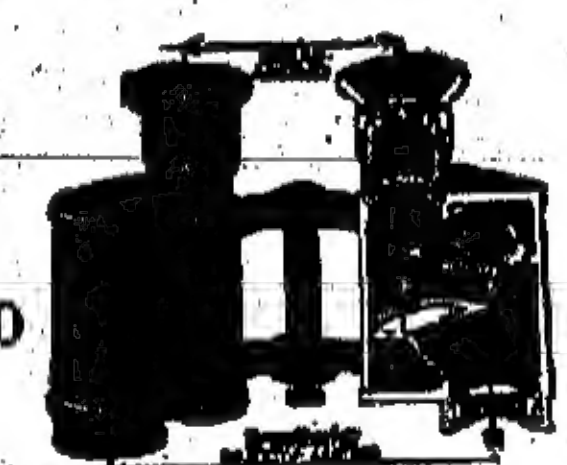
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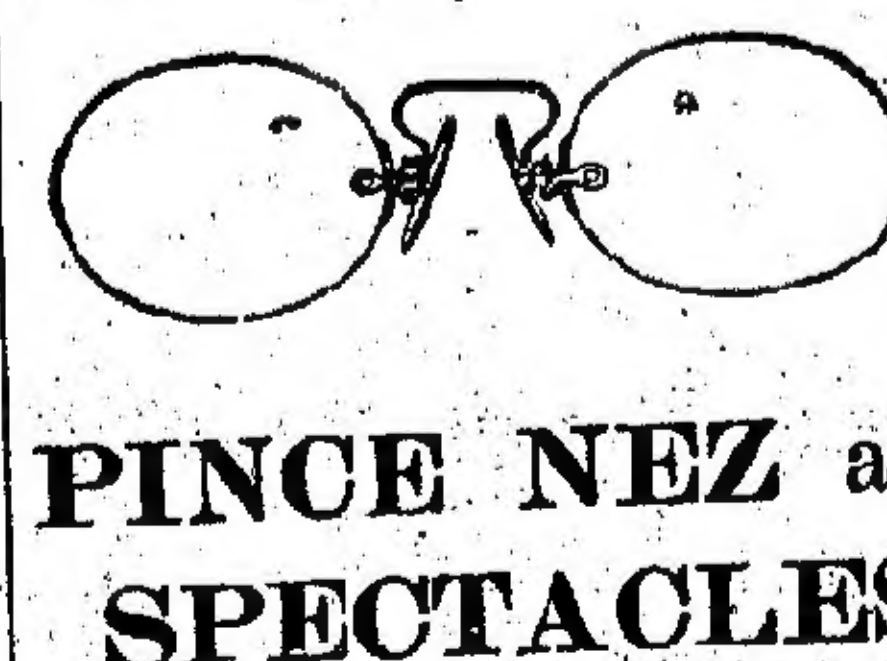
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This league match was played on Saturday
and resulted in a win for the C.C.C. Scores—

POLICE.				
Hoggarth, c Noria, b J. Braga	...	...	...	0
Kerr, c Bass, b Taylor	...	...	...	23
Grimmett, b Pestonji	...	...	...	0
Burlingham, b Pestonji	...	...	...	10
Pitt, c J. Braga, b Pestonji	...	...	...	6
King, b Pestonji	...	...	...	1
Cooper, c Hancock, b Taylor	...	...	...	1
McFarley, b Taylor	...	...	...	0
McLellan, c Noria, b Pestonji	...	...	...	11
Reynolds, b Taylor	...	...	...	4
Kerr, not out	...	...	...	8
Extras	...	...	...	8
Total	...	...	...	73

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. Braga	...	6	1	22
Pestonji	...	11.5	2	21
Taylor	...	6	...	22

CRAGGENGOWER.

W. H. Vivesh, b Kerr	...	...	...	5
E. L. Braga, c Pitt, b Hoggarth	...	...	...	17
R. Bass, b Kerr	...	...	...	31
J. V. Braga, b Hoggarth	...	...	...	10
G. A. Hancock, b Kerr	...	...	...	32
R. A. Carvalho, b Kerr	...	...	...	3
J. D. Noria, b Hoggarth	...	...	...	5
L. A. Ross, c Kerr, b Hoggarth	...	...	...	1
C. Johnston, b Kerr	...	...	...	1
R. Pestonji, run out	...	...	...	1
H. H. Taylor, not out	...	...	...	6
Extras	...	...	...	6
Total	...	...	...	127

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hoggarth	...	9	...	43
King	...	7	...	37
Kerr	...	10.1	2	31
Grimmett	...	3	...	1
McLellan	...	2	...	4

OTHER CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. THE FLEET.

This triangular league match, played on
Saturday, resulted in a win for the Fleet.
Scores—

H.K.C.C.				
T. E. Pearce, c Greenhalgh, b Ward	...	...	...	14
A. C. E. Elborough, c and b Annabheim	...	...	...	0
H. R. Makin, c Greenhalgh, b Ward	...	...	...	7
A. P. Dashwood, b Annabheim	...	...	...	1
W. E. Warburton, b Ward	...	...	...	5
H. Hancock, b Ward	...	...	...	0
E. J. Saunders, b Ward	...	...	...	0
E. P. Thurstfield, c Ward, b Annabheim	...	...	...	16
M. M. Mass, b Annabheim	...	...	...	2
A. O. Brown, not out	...	...	...	14
E. A. S. Fowler, b Ward	...	...	...	2
Extras	...	...	...	0
Total	...	...	...	62

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ward	...	10.1	2	34
Annabheim	...	10	2	28

THE FLEET.

Mr. Annabheim, c Pearce, b Warburton	...	...	...	35
Eng. Lt. Smith, c Thurstfield, b Warburton	...	...	...	9
Mr. Cooke, c Thurstfield, b Mass	...	...	...	109
Surg. Fisher, b Hancock	...	...	...	12
Major Morgan, b Elborough	...	...	...	1
Lt. Holland, c Makin, b Mass	...	...	...	2
Lt. Bedford, c Makin, b Hancock	...	...	...	0
St. Surg. Greenhalgh, did not bat	...	...	...	0
Comdr. Ward, c Elborough, b Mass	...	...	...	22
Lt. Atwood, c Thurstfield, b Mass	...	...	...	3
Mr. Rogers, not out	...	...	...	5
Extras	...	...	...	2
Total	...	...	...	209

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Thurstfield	...	6	1	28
Fowler	...	4	1	7
Warburton	...	10	3	34
Pearce	...	4	...	33
Makin	...	3	...	18
Hancock	...	3	1	41
Elborough	...	3	...	30
Mass	...	4.3	1	16

CHANGING CHINA.

A "Disgraced Chinaman" writes to a Singapore contemporary as follows:—"In consequence of the disturbed condition of the people of China, many Chinese who favour reform and revolution have discarded their names. This action, in my opinion, and in that of almost all, if not all, of the world, is really commendable, excellent, and deserving of every praise and esteem. But another point is that many of these Chinese, if they are educated a bit in English—have taken it into their heads—dull ones—to change the names by which they have been known since their childhood, and which were borne by their ancestors from time immemorial, and adopted Christian appellations instead. This conduct of theirs, in my opinion, which I am sure will be shared by many representing my nationality (the Chinese) and all of the Europeans, absurd and silly—savouring of the upstarts and ill-mannered and ignorant folks at home in China from whom these European-named Chinamen descended. I am a quoness Chinese myself, but if there is anything that I hate, it is to see Chinamen styling themselves (while putting on spectacles or their noses when they have good eyesight, but just for show) with such euphonious names as Peter Jacob Abraham Lim, or John Thomas Tan, or Alfred Jackson Ah Teng, and so forth. Such conduct disgraces the community in which they have the daring and the effrontery to move. Such conduct should not be tolerated by self-respecting Chinese. Such conduct may suit the swine and the pigs in China, but it cannot be borne by us who are born and bred in Singapore."

INCIDENT ON THE "YAT-SHING."

At Singapore last week the Port Health Officer's department had some trouble with the Chinese coolies on board the *Yat Shing* in the roads. This vessel on arrival from Hongkong with 912 Chinese deck passengers was quarantined and on the 18th instant the coolies were ordered to move into the quarantine ship, while their vessel was thoroughly fumigated. The majority of the coolies refused to do so and assaulted a few who were willing to comply. Sergeant Phillips of the Marine Police was aboard at the time with half a dozen armed Sikh constables. He seized one of the ringleaders and was immediately attacked by several coolies. The six Sikhs fired bayonets and dashed forward. This was quite enough for the coolies and they fled over the side. —*Press Press.*

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THE PROSPECT FOR THE NEW YEAR.

The Times of the 1st inst. says:—"It was necessary to suggest on Saturday that the gales of the autumn and early winter must have blown away the bloom from many underwriting accounts; to-day underwriters will be looking forward rather than back, and will be wishing each other a prosperous New Year. It may be useful to try to surmise to what extent these hopes are likely to be fulfilled."

Trade is good, and there are indications that shipping will continue to be actively employed for some time to come. This means that the market is not likely to be troubled with many of those mysterious losses which have worried it in past years, for, to put it plainly, vessels to-day ought to be far more valuable to their owners' fleet than they could possibly be at the bottom of the sea. On the other hand, in their anxiety to discharge cargoes and load again, captains are tempted in good times to "cut corners," and for the same repairs are deferred until the last moment. But, on the whole, it is probably to the interest of underwriters that ship-owners should be well able to pay reasonable premiums of insurance.

It is, of course, certain that there will be some costly casualties, and it is obviously to the interest of the market that big claims should be numerous. Underwriters have only to see that the premiums are proportionate to the risks—by no means an easy task when conditions are constantly changing. A year in which expensive accidents occurred to two fine Cunard liners and the leading White Star vessel, and disaster overtook a P. and O. liner, must have converted every business man in the supreme importance of insurance, while it must have impressed underwriters with the risk of running very large lines on even the biggest and newest vessels. The greater tendency towards cohesion among underwriters, of which the Paris International Conference is the latest expression, is all to the interest of the market, while the same remark cannot be applied to the tendency towards combination noticeable among shipping companies, which seems likely to go even further this year. Again the increased activity of fire insurance companies may be expected to make itself felt in a way not entirely favourable to marine underwriters. Still there seems ground for thinking that for these in a position to take advantage of every development of trade the prospects are now better than they have been for some years past.

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EASTERN	...	Saturday, 2nd March.
EMPIRE	...	Saturday, 30th March.

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TJIMANOEK	JAPAN	First half of Feb.	JAVA	First half of Feb.
TJIMAHU	JAVA	First half of Feb.	SHANGHAI	Second half of Feb.
TJILATJAP	SHANGHAI	First half of Feb.	JAVA	Second half of Feb.
TJITAROEM	JAVA	First half of March.	JAPAN	First half of March.
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LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The O. S. K. str. *Panama Maru* from Tacoma left Shanghai for this port on the 26th inst., and is due here on next Monday, the 29th inst. a.m.
The M. M. str. *Ernest Simons*, with the French Mail of the 31st December, 1911, and mails from London of the 30th December, 1911, left Saigon at 7 a.m. on 26th inst., and is expected to arrive here to day at 6 a.m., and will leave most likely for Shanghai Kobe and Yokohama to day at about 6 p.m.
The N.Y.K. str. *Hirano Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai on the 26th inst., and is expected here on the 29th inst.
The H.-A. Line str. *Sagami* left Shanghai on the 27th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 30th inst. p.m.
The N.Y.K. str. *Aki Maru* (European Line) left Singapore on the 26th inst., and is expected here on the 31st inst.
The N.Y.K. str. *Tenshin Maru* (Calcutta Line) left Singapore on the 26th inst., and is expected here on the 2nd prox.
The N.Y.K. str. *Bombay Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 26th inst., and is expected here on the 13th prox.

PASSED THE CANAL.

Jan. 5th—Benlog, Ernest Simons, Vorwaerts, Rheuss, 9th—Aki Maru, Glenloch, Katana, Lemnos, Yeddo, Kina, Preussen. 12th—Indramaya, Jason Palawan, Wray Castle, Arcadia. 16th—Austria, Benvenne, Miyasaki Maru, Pera, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, Fithonia. 19th—Dumha, Suenia, Miyasaki Maru, Yandaze. 23rd—Calchas, Kawachi Maru, Mushima Maru, Soudia, Tetanachia, Afghan Prince, Patricia. 26th—Australia, Dardanus, Decauville, Petho, Atreus.
ARRIVALS AT HOME.
January 26th—Kitch, Pinguey, Slavonia.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

CHIN HUA, British str., 1,350, W. Benson, 28th Jan.—Shanghai 25th January, General—Butterfield & Swire.

CHOSHUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,301, K. Sakurai, 27th Jan.—Otsuka Shosen Kaisha.

CHOWTAT, German str., 1,115, W. Reher, 26th Jan.—Palo Laut 18th January, Coal—Butterfield & Swire.

DAONT, Norwegian str., 882, P. Solvosen, 27th Jan.—Hongkong 24th January, Dust Coal—Eggsaard, Thorsen & Co.

DUSABERG, British str., 1,211, A. W. Dixon, 28th Jan.—Singapore 20th Jan.—Bank Line Ltd.

EUROPE MARU, Jap. str., 2,236, M. Tannaka, 26th Jan.—Mojoi 20th January, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HAIMUN, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 28th Jan.—Swatow 27th Jan., General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

HONG MOH, British str., 2,555, W. L. Gardner, 27th Jan.—Singapore 22nd Jan., General—Sung Tuck Sing.

ICHANG, British str., 1,228, Rees Lewis, 27th Jan.—Hongkong 23rd January, Coal—Butterfield & Swire.

KWONGSANG, British str., 1,428, W. F. Richard, 28th Jan.—Shanghai 24th and Swatow 27th Jan., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LIBERIA, German str., 2,386, T. Karberg, 27th Jan.—Vladivostok 2th Jan., Beans and Hempseed—Hamburg-America Linie.

MARIN, German str., 1,169, H. Bohlsch, 28th Jan.—Saigon 23rd Jan., Rice—Jensen & Co.

NILE, British str., 6,694, E. F. Dally, R.N.R., 27th Jan.—London 16th Dec., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

WAISHING, British str., 1,170, Holmwood, 27th Jan.—Chingwaite 20th Jan., Groundnuts—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ZAFIRO, American str., 1,410, M. C. Smith, 28th Jan.—Manila 25th Jan., General—Sheehan, Tomes & Co.

DEPARTURES.

BESSIE DOLLAR, British str., for Mojoi.

EMPEROR OF INDIA, British str., for Vancouver.

PRINCE WALDEMAR, German str., for Australia.

SIBERIA, American str., for San Francisco.

SIGNAL, German str., for Hobei.

YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.

DAIGI MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

DAYAWONG, German str., for Bangkok.

HAIYANG, British str., for Swatow.

HANGSANG, British str., for Swatow.

ICHANG, British str., for Swatow.

LANBES, British str., for Shanghai.

LYMAN, British str., for Shanghai.

TELEMACUS, British str., for Saigon.

TJILATJAI, Dutch str., for Amoy.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German str. *Liberia* reports: Strong N.E. wind and sea on the 22nd inst., calling at Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 5th prox.

The T.K.K. str. *Chiyo Maru* sailed from Honolulu on the 15th inst. for Hongkong, and is due to arrive at this port on or about the 6th prox.

The P.M.S.S. Co. str. *Manchuria* sailed from San Francisco 23rd inst. en route to Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 23rd prox.

The E. & A. str. *Eastern* left Sydney on the 17th inst. for this port (via Queensland Ports, Port Darwin and Manila).

The E. & A. str. *Aldenhams* from Sydney left Thursday Island on the 22nd inst., and this port on the 30th prox.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of Japan* arrived Kobe at 4.00 p.m. on Friday the 26th inst., and left again at midnight same day for Shanghai where she is due to arrive at 6.00 a.m. on Friday, the 30th inst.

The Apoor str. *Gregory Apoor* from Calcutta left Singapore on the 23rd inst. afternoon, and may be expected here to-day.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. str. *Ceylon Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 12th inst., and is expected here to-morrow.

The "Hansa" str. *Goldenfels* left Singapore on the 24th inst. a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow a.m.

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The "Shire" str. *Glamorganshire* left Singapore for Hongkong on the 23rd inst., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The I.G.M. str. *Coblenz* left Sydney on the 13th inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th prox.

The T.K.K. str. *South American* str. *Kiyo Maru* will arrive at this port on the 5th prox.

The str. *Glenloch* passed the Suez Canal on the 9th inst., and is due here on or about the 5th prox.

The Arthur Nilsson & Co. str. *Yeddo* left Port Said on the 11th inst., and is expected here on or about the 10th prox.

The str. *Sherries* from Puget Sound left Tacoma on the 1st inst. for Hongkong and Manila via Japan Ports.

The "Mogul" Line str. *Lemna* left United Kingdom on the 23rd ult. for Hongkong and Far East via the Straits.

The T.K.K. str. *Buyo Maru* sailed from Callao on the 20th inst. for Hongkong, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 26th March.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

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DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	ARCADIA	Brit. str.	—	S. Barham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Feb., at Noon.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	PERMORSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	H. N. Rivers, R.N.R.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 3rd Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	NYANZA	Brit. str.	—	Feas	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 7th Feb.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	SPERIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Buch	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 29th Feb.
HAYRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SALINIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Renns	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 6th Feb.
HAYRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SOLITA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Diedrichs	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 13th Feb.
HAYRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	GOLDENFELS	Ger. str.	k.w.	Rassau	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 1st March.
HAYRE & HAMBURG	SUVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Ernst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th March.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst., at D'light.
MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	TANGO MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Kawata	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th Feb., at D'light.
MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Stohr	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 16th Feb.
MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Ernst	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 26th Feb.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Irisawa	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	To-morrow, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, &c.	PANAMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	"	OSAKA SHOSHUN KAISHA	On 3rd Feb., at 11 a.m.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via JAPAN &c.	SEATTLE MARU	Jap. str.	—	"	OSAKA SHOSHUN KAISHA	On 22nd Feb., at 11 a.m.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	ARAGONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Meyer	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th Feb.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	KARONGA	Ger. str.	—	"	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 6th Feb., at Noon.
TRIESTE, GENOA, ALGIERES, CIBALTA & SOUTHAMPTON	GORDEN	Ger. str.	—	A. Ahlborn	MANCHESTER & CO.	On 19th Feb., at 5 p.m.
TRIESTE, Fiume, & Venice, via SINGAPORE, &c.	BOHENTA	Ger. str.	—	"	SANDER, WILHELM & CO.	About 22nd Feb.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	NIPPON	Ger. str.	—	E. Tarabochia	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 13th Feb.
VANCOUVER, B.C., SEATTLE & PORTLAND, &c.	PATIAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	"	THE BANK LINE, LIMITED	On 7th Feb.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	LUCEBIC	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Davison	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th Feb., at 7 a.m.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	"	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 23rd March, at Noon.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTAGLE	Brit. str.	—	"	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 2nd Feb., at 1 p.m.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHINA	Am. str.	—	W. W. Greene	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 15th Feb., at 1 p.m.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	MANCHURIA	Am. str.	—	"	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 16th Feb., at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHITO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekine	TOYO KAISEN KAISHA	On 3rd Feb.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ST. ALBANS	Brit. str.	—	"	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th Feb., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	"	SANDER, WILHELM & CO.	About 13th Feb.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE via SHANGHAI	VORWARTS	Am. str.	—	K. Homma	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st Feb., at 11 a.m.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	Hori	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Feb.
NAGASAKI & KOBE	TENSHIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	L. Klugkist	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 6th Feb.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	COBLENZ	Ger. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th Feb., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	V. Zwart	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Feb., at 11 a.m.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN via JAPAN	KIYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. Mooney	YAWA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch
JAPAN	TITABOEN	Dut. str.	—	W. F. Richard	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-morrow, at Noon.
TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	CHIFUSHING	Brit. str.	—	D. O. Gregor, R.N.R.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 31st inst., at D'light
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	k.w.	Towson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	GOLDENFELS	Ger. str.	—	Benson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Feb., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJAI & KOBE	CHIN HUA	Brit. str.	1 m.	S. H. Nelson	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.	On 2nd Feb., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJAI	CHOSHUN APOR	Brit. str.	—	D. O. Gregor, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 2nd Feb.
SHANGHAI	AVHUI	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. B. Harris	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Feb., at M'night.
SHANGHAI	BOHENTA	Am. str.	—	W. W. Cooke, R.N.R.	SANDER, WILHELM & CO.	On 5th Feb., at 6 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJAI	YEDDO	Brit. str.	—	J. P. Scholte	ABRUSS NISSON & CO.	About 10th Feb.
SHANGHAI, MOJAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PERA	Brit. str.	—	A. H. Stewart	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 12th Feb.
SHANGHAI	TJIMAH	Dut. str.	—	W. O. Passmore	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch
FOOCHOW via SWATOW & AMOY	CHOSHUN MARU	Jap. str.	2 h.	J. B. Roach	OSAKA SHOSHUN KAISHA	On 31st inst., at 8 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Sidford	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 30th inst., at 11 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAICHONG	Brit. str.	2 h.	Least	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	On 31st inst., at 11 a.m.
MANILA, ILOILO & CEBU	HATAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	M. C. Smith	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	KAPONG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 3rd Feb., at 2 p.m.
MANILA, MANGABIA, ILOILO & CEBU	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	S. Crosby	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 31st inst., at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	Van D. Jalik	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 6th Feb., at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. Sato	SHAW-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 10th Feb., at 4 p.m.
MANILA, MANGABIA, ILOILO & CEBU	KUENSHANG	Brit. str.	—	F. Wheeler	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 5th Feb.
BATAVIA, OBERON, SAMARANG, &c.	SUBI	Am. str.	—	W. J. Webb	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	TJILWONG	Dut. str.	—	F. Semblil	MANCHESTER & CO.	On 3rd Feb., at Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	TOSA MARU	Jap. str.	—	E. de Ocalano	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Feb., at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN	KUMSANG	Brit. str.	—	"	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 31st inst., at 9 a.m.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	—	"	"	"
HOHONG & HAIPHONG	BOHENTA	Ger. str.	—	"	"	"
KWANG CROW WANG & HAIPHONG	SIGANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	"	"	"
	SI-SIANG	Brit. str.	—	"	"	"

PASSENGER SEASON 1912.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

TO EUROPE BY THE

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STEAMSHIP	DISPLACEMENT.	DATE.
"GOEBEN" - - - - -	17,000 tons	ON FEBRUARY 6TH.
Capt. A. AHLBORN.		
"DEFFLINGER" - - - - -	17,300	ON FEBRUARY 21ST.
Capt. F. PROSECH.		
"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH" 16,000		ON MARCH 5TH.
Capt. E. MALONOW.		
"YORCK" - - - - -	17,000	ON MARCH 20TH.
Capt. J. RANDELMANN.		
"PRINZESS ALICE" - - - - -	20,800	ON APRIL 2ND.
Capt. P. GROSCH.		
"LUETZOW" - - - - -	17,300	ON APRIL 17TH.
Capt. J. BORTFELD.		
"KLEIST" - - - - -	17,000	ON APRIL 30TH.
Capt. L. MAISS.		

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1911.

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LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TONS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, GIBALTA, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and HAMBURG	"GOEBEN," Capt. A. AHLBORN.	17,300	Tuesday, 6th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"COBLENZ," Capt. L. KLUGKIST.	6,750	About 6th Feb.
KUDAT and SANDAKA	"BORNEO," Capt. F. SEMBLIL.	5,000	Middle of February.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1912.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJAI.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR," Captain S. H. Nelson, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 2nd Feb., at Noon.

The Steamer has superior accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified doctor.

Return Tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1912. [240]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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THE Steamship

"ARCADIA," Captain S. Barham, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this port for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 3rd Feb., 1912, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Co.'s s.s. "MANTUA," 11,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, Tees and Cargo for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the s.s. "EGYPT," due in London on the 15th March, 1912.

Passes will be received at the Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1912. [1]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

S.S. "PATHAN" On or about 15th Feb.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1912. [230]

HONGKONG-NEW YORK.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

S.S. "KARONGA" On or about 6th Mar.

For freight and further information apply to—

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1912. [231]

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1912	1912
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" Sat., 24th Feb.	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND" Fri., 22nd Mar.
"MONTAGLE" Sat., 23rd Mar.	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND" Fri., 19th Apr.
"EMPEROR OF INDIA" Sat., 20th Apr.	"EMPEROR OF IRELAND" Fri., 17th May.
"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" Sat., 11th May.	"ALLEN LINE"

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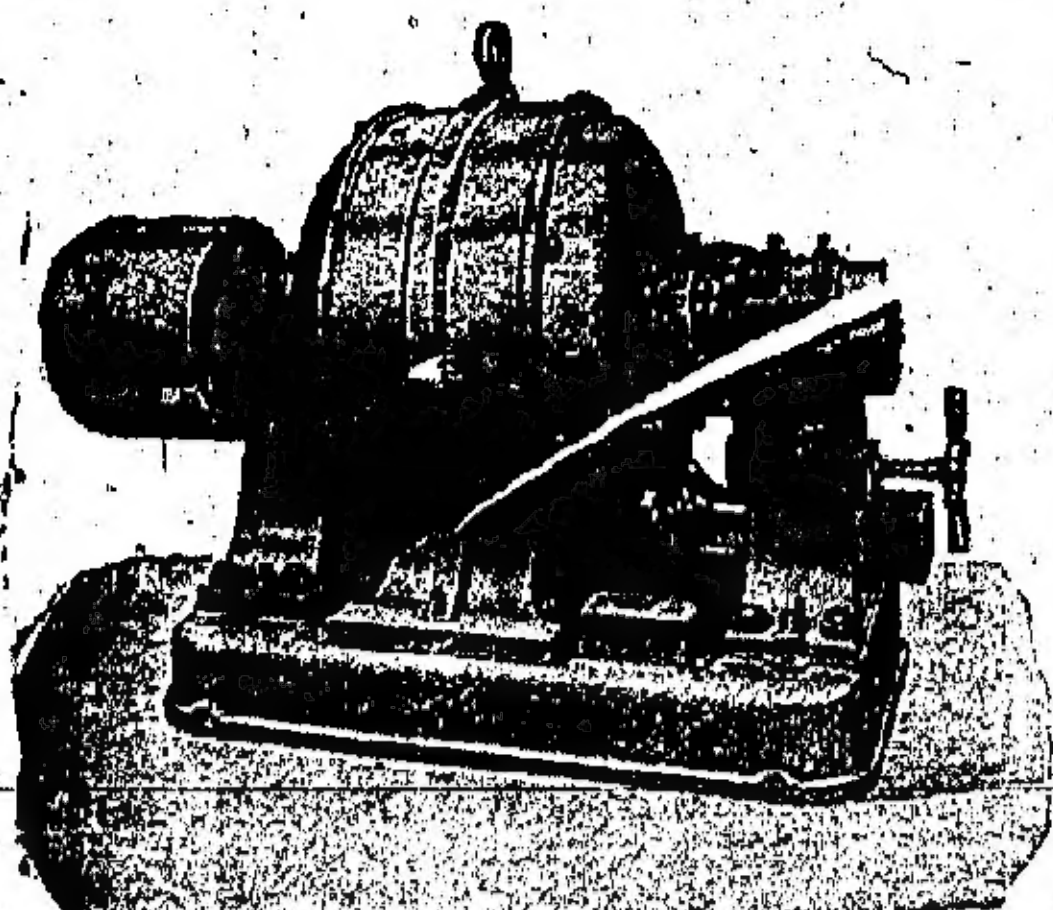
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Hongkong, 26th January, 1912.

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Sole Representative for Hongkong and South China
Hugo C. A. Fromm, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1912.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended: Hupeh, Szechuan, Hunan, Kweichow and Tientsin.

The Panama Mail, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-day.

The Ernest Simons, with the French Mail from Europe, is expected to arrive here to-day.

FOR	PER	DATE
Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta	Kunming	Monday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.
Hankow	Shanghai	Monday, 29th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila	Sui Tai	Monday, 29th, 1.15 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOREA and YOKOHAMA	Ernest Simons	Monday, 29th, 5.00 P.M.
SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE		
Tientsin, Weihaiwei and Chefoo	Chingping	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.O. and Seattle (Wash.)	Awa Maru	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Hainan	Tuesday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., INDIA via TUTICORIN		
(Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon)		
Extra Postage 10 cents		
Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail		
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo and Cebu	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 30th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila, Penang and Colombo	Chingping	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Chingping	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Chingping	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Chingping	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Chingping	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo and Cebu	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Sui Tai	Tuesday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Hainan and Haiphong	Singap	Thursday, 1st, 9.00 A.M.
(Taking Mails for Pakhoi)		
Shanghai	Chingping	Thursday, 1st, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Gregory Ayeur	Tuesday, 2nd, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Hainan	Friday, 2nd, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOREA, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	China	Friday, 2nd, 10.00 A.M.
SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE		
EUROPE, &c., INDIA via TUTICORIN		
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(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail)		
The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, the 2nd Feb., at 5 P.M.		
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday 1st, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	St. Albans	Saturday, 3rd, 9.00 A.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar	Tjiluwong	Saturday, 3rd, 10.00 A.M.
andakan	Mansong	Saturday, 3rd, 10.00 A.M.
Manila Cebu and Iloilo	Loongang	Saturday, 3rd, 1.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hainan	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
MANILA, CEBU, ILOILO, EUROPE &c.		
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COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON	January 27th.
Telegraphic Transfer	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
ON PARIS	
Bank Bills, on demand	244
Credits, at 4 months' sight	248 1/2
ON GERMANY	
On demand	198 1/2
ON NEW YORK	
Bank Bills, on demand	47
Credits, at 60 days' sight	48
ON BOMBAY	
Telegraphic Transfer	143 1/2
Bank, on demand	143 1/2
ON CALCUTTA	
Telegraphic Transfer	143 1/2
Bank, on demand	143 1/2
ON SHANGHAI	
Bank, at sight	74 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	75 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA	
On demand	94
ON MANILA	
On demand	94
ON SINGAPORE	
On demand	82 1/2
ON BATAVIA	
On demand	116
ON HAIPHONG	
On demand	1 1/2 p.m.
ON SAIGON	
On demand	1 1/2 p.m.
ON HONGKONG	
On demand	110.30
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	110.30
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per leaf	54.30
BAR SILVER, per oz.	26 1/2

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

	per cent.
Chinese	20 cents pieces
Chinese	10
Hongkong	20
Hongkong	10

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. HONGKONG, JANUARY 27th, 1912.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS CASE.
BANKS.—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	(\$880, sal. & sal. L'don 232 10/100)
China Bank Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	all	\$1.30, buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	all	\$8, sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	all	
COTTON MILLS.—				
Ewo Cotton Spin'g. & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 83
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$5, buyers
International Cotton Manuf'g Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	all	Tls. 49
Laoan-Kan—Mow C. Spin'g. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 64
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 28
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	\$20
DOCKS AND WHARVES.—				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$54, sales
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$48
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 58
Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 95 1/2
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	\$60,000	\$10	all	\$3.80, buyers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$200
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$21
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	12,000	\$50	all	\$114
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	5,000	\$10	all	\$72, buyers
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	15,000	P. 10	all	P. 3, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	50,000	\$25	all	\$215
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$18, sellers
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$7
INSURANCES.—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$197 1/2
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$131 1/2, sellers
China Overseas Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$55.55	\$25	\$105
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$50	\$10	\$361
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	\$2	Tls. 150
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$10	\$350
Wing Lok Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$10	\$212 1/2 @ Ex 73
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$98 1/2, x. div.
Humphrey's Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	13,000	\$10	all	\$54, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$10	all	\$34, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 98
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$49, x. div. bn.
Masthead Building Co., Ltd.	25,000	Gds. 10	all	Tls. 77, buyers
MINING.—				
Societe Francaise des Charbonnages de Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$695
Bamb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$10	all	\$3.80
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$112, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	all	\$1.10
RAFFIA.—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$108 1/2, sales
Laoan Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$37, sellers
SEASIDE STEAMSHIP.—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	all	\$11, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$25	all	\$21
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$10	all	\$27, sellers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 prof.	\$25	all	\$55.50, L'don. \$25 10/100
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,500,000	\$1	all	\$3/6
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$27 1/2, sales
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	all	\$24
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$6 1/2
STRENGTH AND DISTANCE.—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$20, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$43, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$3, sales
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	all	\$41
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	all	\$12 1/2, buyers
Gande Price & Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	all	\$12, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$4	\$10
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 faders	\$10	all	\$5 1/2
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RUSSIA.—	Daily Wire	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Para Rubber in London				477 per lb. quiet
Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.

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		Date	Shanghai
Monday, 5th Feb.—Twenty-Third Ordinary Meeting of The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., Noon.		January 6th.	January 23rd.
		January 10th.	January 26th.
Tuesday, 6th Feb.—Ninety-First Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co., Ltd., Noon.			
Wednesday, 7th February—Meeting of the Licensing Board, in the Council Chamber, 215 P.M.			
Friday and Saturday, 1st and 2nd March—Flower and Vegetable Show of Hongkong Horticultural Society at Vacant Ground opposite Hongkong Club.			

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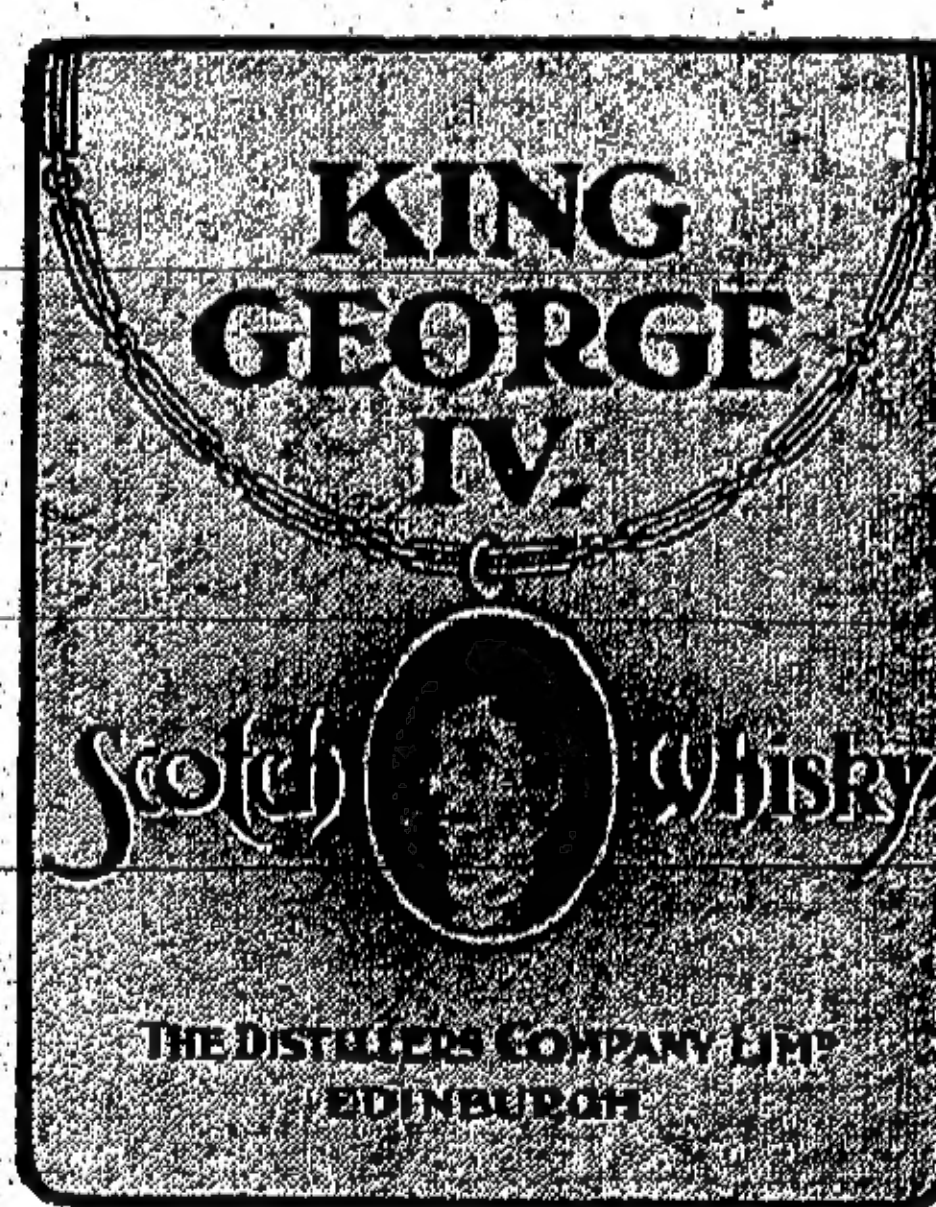


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